



Aruba Beach Club Celebrates 30 years of success

Aruba's very first timeshare resort, the Aruba Beach Club, opened its doors thirty years ago, and units are still at a premium, whenever the rare resale is offered. Established by visionary and timeshare pioneer Raymond Maduro, the resort is founded on a patronage of visitors that have been coming to Aruba annually since they first broke ground.

During the weekly Wednesday night Manager's Cocktail Party, ABC staff and long time owners joined together in toasting thirty years of wonderful memories of their time at the Aruba Beach Club. A huge cake and typical Aruban snacks were quickly devoured during a delightful party organized by Farita Mansur of the ABC executive staff. Entertainment was unintentionally provided by John Neil, Paul Dunne and Wayne Boutilier of Massachusetts, long time visitors that amuse everyone dressed in their crazy outfits for the weekly party. Additionally, John Booi of the F.A.V.I. provided a rendition on the harmonica after accepting a donation from the ABC board for the Aruba Foundation for the Visually Impaired.

Other groups receiving donations in celebration of the thirtieth anniversary were the Wilhelmina Cancer Fund, and the Aruba Alzheimer's Foundation. Board President Dr. Lou Gilmore presented the checks, along with Treasurer Lou Mintzer, and in return, Melva Croes-Yanez of the Alzheimer's Foundation presented a report of the latest findings on the disease, and the green ribbon signifying support for the cause to all that were present.

During the weeks spent in Aruba over the years, people that live great distances apart in the U.S. have forged lasting bonds of friendship during the times they have spent at the resort. For the ABC owners and staff and it was a very special occasion, a gathering of their "extended Aruba family," that makes the island for many of the repeat visitors their "home away from home."

Congratulations to the Aruba Beach Club for on this special occasion, and many more years of making island visitors feel at home!